# Gateway Annual Financial Report (AFR)

2015 Overview and Update

## Indiana Gateway for Government Units

- Gateway Public Website
  - https://gateway.ifionline.org/



#### **An Open Door into Local Government Finance**

Gateway collects and provides access to information about how taxes and other public dollars are budgeted and spent by Indiana's local units of government.





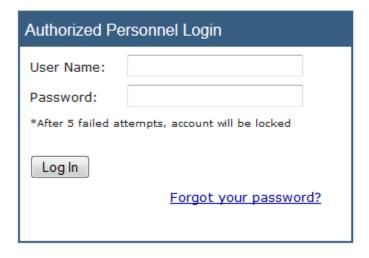


## Indiana Gateway for Government Units

#### Gateway Login Screen

– https://gateway.ifionline.org/login.aspx

The Indiana Gateway for Government Units provides a central commons for local units to submit their financial forms to the State of Indiana.



#### **Browser Support**

Gateway runs on the latest web technology, so you will need to use the latest versions of Firefox or Chrome on your local desktop. (Some applications in Gateway are not supported by Internet Explorer.) You can use these links to download the latest versions:

- Firefox
- Chrome

For additional questions or technical assistance, please contact IBRC Tech Support at <a href="mailto:ibrctech@iupui.edu">ibrctech@iupui.edu</a>.

## Indiana Gateway for Government Units

#### Gateway Home Screen

Applications are available for multiple agencies.

#### Welcome to the Indiana Gateway for Government Units

As an authorized user, you will have at least one application to use. Each of these applications enables a local unit to submit its required forms, reports or files to the appropriate state agency, which currently include **DLGF** (Department of Local Government Finance), **SBOA** (State Board of Accounts) and **IEERB** (Indiana Education Employment Relations Board).

#### Select Application



**Budgets** 



**Debt Management** 



Annual Financial Report



SB 131 Reporting for SWMDs



TIF Management



100R



Property Files Upload



Redevelopment



Collective Bargaining Reporting

## Per IC 5-11-1-4

- Must be filed with the State Examiner.
- DLGF may not approve the budget of a unit until it is filed.
- Must be filed electronically via the State Gateway.
- Due 60 days after the year end which will be February 29, 2016.

## New for 2015- Public Official Surety Bonds

- Per IC 5-4-1-5.1(e) requires copies of bonds from local fiscal officers be uploaded to Gateway.
   Includes contractors, and other employees whose duties include receiving, processing, depositing, disbursing or otherwise having access to government funds.
- IC 4-5-1-5.1(f) requires you to enter the position/title, name, and dollar amount of the bond.
- At least one bond for the trustee must be uploaded.

## New for 2015- Risk Assessment Questions

- This questionnaire is part of your Annual Financial Report and must be completed in order for your report to be submitted. All questions must be answered.
- Certain questions may require documents to be uploaded.
- Will be used to develop risk based audit criteria per IC 5-11-1-25 (b) and to determine audit frequency (every 2 years, 4 years, etc).

## Helpful Hints

- Tab or click in a cell to go to the next cell in a row or on the screen.
- On a grid, enter one row at a time. Press the Enter key when you are finished entering a row.
- Correct any errors on a row before starting the next row or leaving the screen.
- Enter something in all cells marked "Required" or the row or screen will not be saved.
- Make sure to scroll to the right to see all cells.

## Helpful Hints

- Avoid using double quotes in a cell.
- Do not enter a dollar sign or commas when entering amounts.
- Click the Save All Work Button to save changes.
- You may sort rows within some grids by clicking on the column heading.
- Do <u>not</u> send SBOA a copy of the AFR or the proof of publication.
- For best results and to view output reports, you must use the most recent version of Internet Explorer, Chrome or Firefox.

#### Submit AFR and Attestation Statement

- Don't forget to submit. Your form is not filed until you submit it.
- An Attestation Statement is part of the submission process.

System Functions		Status
Annual Report Outputs	Reports may be viewed as PDFs or Excel spreadsheets.	Available
Review Submission	Review any submission errors or warnings.	Available
Submit Annual Report	Review and submit the annual report to SBOA	Not Submitted

#### Submit AFR and Attestation Statement

#### **Submit Annual Report**

Your report entries have been reviewed to make sure that it meets minimum standards for submission not be considered a final approval of this submission.

#### Submission Errors

No errors were found that would prevent submission.

#### **Submission Warnings**

There are no warnings for this submission.

#### Submit Report

Proceed to Submit the Annual Report

Submit AFR and Attestation Statement

## **Submit Annual Report**

CERTIFICATION: This is to certify that the data contained in this report is accurate and agrees with the financial records, to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that if an audit is required due to the level of Federal funding expended by this entity, the data entered here will be used to generate a financial statement in accordance with the regulatory basis of accounting. I understand that this financial statement will be audited by the State Board of Accounts unless I choose to provide financial statements in accordance with another acceptable basis of accounting.



#### Submit AFR and Attestation Statement

#### **Submit Annual Report**

#### The Annual Report has been submitted

The online portion of the Annual Report for Sboa Township Unit was submitted to the State Board of Accounts on 9/18/2014 1:30:00 PM. The Annual Report is not considered submitted until the attestation form is completed, signed and mailed.

#### ! Attestation Statement

To complete your Annual Financial Report submission you must also download the attestation form using the link below, complete and sign this form and have it postmarked within 5 days of submitting your report via Gateway.

Return to the AFR Main Menu



#### Attestation Statement

- Certifies that the data is accurate to the best of your knowledge and belief.
- Must be signed by the official.
- Must be <u>mailed</u> within 5 days of submitting on Gateway.
- If you re-submit your AFR on Gateway, you <u>must</u>
   print, sign and mail a new attestation form.
- Must use the most recent version of Internet Explorer, Chrome or Firefox to view statement.

## State Board of Accounts Annual Financial Report Attestation Form

To complete your Annual Financial Report submission via Gateway you must **sign** and **mail** this Attestation Form to the address below within **5 days** of submitting your report via Gateway:

> Indiana State Board of Accounts Attn: AFR Attestation Forms 302 West Washington St, Rm E418 Indianapolis, IN 46204

The 2013 AFR for Blue River Township, Harrison County

was submitted via the State

Gateway on 9/20/2013 4:46:00 PM by lbaker@sboa.in.gov.

as the Fiscal Officer, hereby certify that data contained in the Annual Financial Report subm via Gateway on	itted
9/20/2013 4:46:00 PM is accurate and agrees with the financial records,	
to the best of my knowledge and belief.	
Signed:	-
Printed Name:	
Title:	
Date:	_
Contact Information:	
Name:	
Telephone:	
Email:	

- How can I get help?
  - User Guide



Welcome to the Indiana Gateway for Government Units

- How can I get help?
  - SBOA Web site at www.in.gov/sboa



#### How can I get help?

- Email the SBOA Help Desk at: gateway@sboa.in.gov
- Email IBRC Technical Support at:
   <u>ibrctech@iupui.edu</u>

**Questions?**